

Over 650 Students Petition Assembly As Committee Threatens Free Press

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Students Voice Opinions On Week's Biggest Issue

REACTIONS—Reactions to the actions taken last week by the Publications Committee and by Mr. Jack Bellis. These have come to the FLAT HAT from various sources. In hopes of following up campus opinion and furthering interest in college affairs, and in an effort to let the students speak on the most momentous issue on campus, we print here some of the expressions of student opinion that have arisen.

Gil Reveille, when questioned about the recent Publications Committee decision, stated that he felt the issue was a big one involving many factors, and that students could not make hasty conclusions about it. He asserted that he personally liked Bradford Dunham, and that he had entered the Publications Committee meeting of March 6 with an open mind. The testimony convinced him and made him deem the Committee's decision advisable.

Gil added that he was of the opinion that the doctrine of freedom of the press did not enter the problem, for that doctrine presupposes that if a person is written about libelously, he may take the issue to the court. There is no such analogy on a college campus. Gil concluded that even today there is some abridgement of freedom of the press, the government forbidding the printing of material they consider unwise.

The following quotes indicate further reactions and opinions:

"I believe that the Student Assembly should investigate the matter further, and demand a full explanation of the action taken by the Publications Committee," said Frances Pendleton, '44.

Robert A. Plitt, '45, says, "I think that the Publications Committee was justified in their action concerning Mr. Dunham. Mr. Bellis, however, quit of his own accord, and a meeting of the Student Assembly at this time, to probe his case further, would be null."

In expressing her opinion, Pat Casey, '44, said, "I think the Student Assembly should appoint a committee made up of disinterested parties, from the faculty and student body, to investigate the action taken by the Publications Committee."

"I feel that the action taken by the Publications Committee was not justified, and I also feel that the Student Assembly should meet and probe the matter further. This is a student matter, and the whole thing, which I think is a lot about nothing, should be put in the hands of the students," states Phil Salaskey, '45.

Gene Hanofee adds to the flood of opinions by saying, "Now is not only the time for the Assembly to cope with this problem, but re-organize the Publications Committee too. As it stands, the Committee has too much power, considering it is not truly representative of the student body. Immediate action should be taken."

"As far as I have heard, the main issue seems to be that the Publications Committee has refused the right of freedom of speech to one of the students. I think that they are forgetting that there are some limitations to the rights of free speech. A person cannot say anything whatsoever; he must tell true facts. I believe that there were some libelous statements made and no action was taken by the editor of the FLAT HAT to remedy the situation. Therefore, when the editor did not act, the Publications Committee had to step in. As long as the truth is written, no one will kick," says Don Ream, '44.

Jimmy Harnsberger adds the following opinion:—"As things now stand, one of our fundamental inherited rights, guaranteed in our Constitution, and for which millions of us are or soon will be fighting, is being ruthlessly disregarded—that of freedom of speech and the freedom of the press! If our College paper is to become nothing more than a sheet of announcements and insipid accounts of college activities, then let's do away with it. I'd rather have my \$10 a year, or how much it is, back and spend it on something more satisfying. But, if students, all students can express their ideas and opinions through the paper, then Vive La FLAT HAT! If expression of opinion, some one's toes, professional or otherwise, are stepped on, let him speak up in his own defense through an article. But to pull the strings of a Publications Committee, and to have it bar anyone from expressing his views again in public, smells strongly of Hitler & Co. Finally, does the Publications Committee have the authority to hand out such imperial edicts, and if it does, then by golly, somebody, we the student body, ought to wake up and defend our rights. How about it?"

Says Norma Ritter, '44, "I believe Mr. Bellis' resignation was entirely justified, but that the action of the Publications Committee was nothing more than a farce. Certainly the Student Assembly should meet—It's about time that a really representative view of the whole situation should be made known."

Donnie Lepper, '46, adds, "Let's let the whole student body in on this instead of keeping it behind closed doors!"

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Editorial Policy

Including the most recent appointment, there have been three editors this year to be in control of the editorial policy of the FLAT HAT. During the time spanned by the first two administrations, it must be admitted that student interest in campus affairs has increased considerably. It will be the policy of this paper to urge this increase to its fullest extent. It must also be admitted that during this time the editor's seat has been getting increasingly warm.

True, there is "work of noble note" which "must yet be done." Aims are frequently identical; but there are different ways to accomplish the aims. This work of noble note can be accomplished more effectively by the presentation of news and facts than by the presentation of personal opinions at the expense of news and facts.

The precedence given to news and facts does not mean, however, that the editorial policy will be overly conservative or a tool in the hands of any curtailing committees. Opinions will be printed, to be sure, if they represent a sufficient percentage of the student body or if they give criticism which will be of benefit to this same student majority. In printing both facts and opinions of the facts, I say, with all sincerity, that common sense and a strict regard for student opinion will be the only forces controlling my decisions.

What I intend to keep in mind is that the student body may want the support of the FLAT HAT in trying to remove irritations but it does not want the FLAT HAT to become an irritation itself. With this policy in practice, I am sure that a paper can be operated to the satisfaction of the students.

J. C. MERRIMAN,
Editor-in-Chief.

Merriman Replaces Bellis As New Editor Of Flat Hat

Acting on the resignation of Jack Bellis, Editor of the FLAT HAT for the last six issues, the Student Publications Committee chose Jack Merriman as editor for the remainder of the school semester.

At The Last Minute

There will be an important meeting of The Flat Hat business staff Wednesday at 7:15 P. M. All members are requested to be present.

SCREENING TEST

According to the American Council on Education, a screening test for Sophomores in the V-1 Naval Reserve and in the Marine Corps Reserve will be given on April 20th and a similar test for Freshmen will be given during their Sophomore year, says Dr. D. W. Woodbridge.

FLAT HAT MEETING

The regular meeting of the FLAT HAT Staff this week is changed to 6:30 P. M.

NOTICE TO SENIORS

There will be a short but important meeting of the Senior Class Wednesday night at 7 o'clock in Room 200, Rogers Hall. The committee on the Class gift will report at this time. All

Student opinion ran rampant last week, as Publications Committee action precipitated an issue of the freedom of the press at William and Mary.

Immediately following the resignation of Flat Hat Editor Jack Bellis, because of restraining action taken against one of his columnists, the campus was alive, alive to the extent that over 650 students signed petitions requesting a review of the Publications Committee proceedings in the Student Assembly.

Last week, the Student Publications Committee, a committee created by the Student Assembly, declared themselves a court of "original jurisdiction," tried and found guilty of incompetence, one Bradford Dunham.

Freedom Of Press

This committee acting further under its "original jurisdiction," decreed that Mr. Dunham shall be barred from all publications connected with the college. This action, although seemingly fitting punishment for one guilty of incompetence, constituted, in the minds of the aforementioned 650 petitioners, an abrogation of the freedom of the press, and hence a virtual abolition of a student's and a citizen's rights.

When approached, Scotty Cunningham, president of the Student Body, indicated that the Student Assembly would meet tonight to decide the validity of the Committee's action.

Ex-Editor Bellis

Ex-editor Bellis, when asked if he had anything further to add to his editorial remarks, in the last issue of the FLAT HAT, reiterated his belief that some sort of action against his former columnist might have been in order in the event of his guilt, but that the manner in which the issue has been handled was intolerable to any editor who wished to write without being censored.

One Motion

The case in point, he added, was the fact that the committee placed their action in one all encompassing motion which declared that Mr. Dunham was incompetent, and should not be allowed to write. If the motion had been divided into two questions, the first questioning the competency of the writer, and the second defining the position of the editor in such circumstances, the outcome might have been different.

Foster Parents Plan Contributions

Local Organizations Aid War Children

Twenty-seven residents of Virginia have contributed toward the support of children of the United Nations in Great Britain through the Foster Parents' Plan for War Children, for the month of February, it was announced yesterday by Mrs. Edna Blue, Plan executive chairman. American headquarters of the Plan are at 55 West 42nd Street, New York City.

At the present time the Plan is operating 41 children's projects in England and is caring for Polish, French, Czech, Belgian, Austrian, Dutch, Hungarian, British, Span-

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A Fair Exchange

By EUGENE M. HANOFEE

This week we are traveling from Brooklyn to Monroe Hall with The Yale Record.

SIGN IN BROOKLYN

POST OFFICE:

Remember Poil Harbor.

ALSO IN BROOKLYN:

"Goodness, George, this isn't our baby. This is the wrong carriage."
"Shut up. This is a better carriage."

HEARD IN MONROE:

"For the last time, I have five exams tomorrow, I've got to get some sleep, and anyway, I've seen the picture three times."

An ashtray is something to put cigarette ashes in when the room has no floor.

My roomy wants to know who torpedoed the Sunken Garden.

"Who was Talleyrand?"
"A fan dancer—and cut out the baby talk."

MESS EDUCATION (from The Yellow Jacket)

We took a field trip.
We are studying geology.
I looked for rocks.
A rock bit me.
I swear it did.
Maybe it was a snake.
People put antiseptics on me.
I laughed. It was fun.
I dated a girl.
We discovered sedimentary rock.
I got sedimentary over her.
I'm a sedimentary fool.
The Prof. said so, too.
We found something metallic.
It glinted.
It was an old bean can.
Beans make me think of Boston.
Boston is a nice town. So is Sacramento.
We dug granite out.

Brennan Lectures On Draughtsmen; Exhibits Jewelry

Mr. Walter J. Brennan, young American artist, lectured on "Drawing and Master Draughtsmen" Tuesday evening, March 8, in the Dodge Room. In his address, he mentioned differences in approaches of the sculptor and the painter, stating that the sculptor has perhaps a more plastic touch. He also spoke about the effects and quality of line in light and shade, textures, and the creation of forms and patterns.

Besides being an artist, Mr. Brennan is a well-known craftsman in the field of jewelry and metalwork, and had with him beautiful exhibits of rings, necklaces and bowls.

At the present time, Mr. Brennan, head of the Fine Arts Department at Westminster College, New Wilmington, Pa., is on a tour of various colleges in the East under the auspices of the Carnegie Foundation. He studied at Carnegie Institute of Technology, Harvard University, and the University of Paris, where he held a traveling scholarship at the Institute of Art and Archeology in 1938.

Mr. Brennan's lecture and the exhibition of some of his paintings and reproductions of the great Masters was sponsored by the Fine Arts Department, under the direction of Mr. Thomas Thorne.

Jake slipped in a hole.
We dug Jake out.
Our field trip was a success.
Our Prof. is full of poison ivy.
He itches.
College is fun.

—E. M. H.

Books Given As Memorial To Dr. Fisher

One of the most noteworthy gifts ever received by the College Library was presented by Mrs. J. R. Fisher in memory of the late beloved and lamented Dr. Fisher. The books given represent Dr. Fisher's own entire collection of works on the Romance Languages. A special presentation label has been placed in each volume.

The library has been desirous of editions of certain French authors in the original language, and some of these have been supplied by this generous gift of Mrs. Fisher. College texts in French have not remained in the main library, but have been deposited in the special modern language collection of Washington Hall. Notable books are Nyrop's "Grammaire Historique de la Française" in six volumes, and Montaigne's "Recueil general des Fables."

Dr. Fisher's collection is one of the largest of its kind ever to be made to the College Library. All of his books represent painstaking, admirable scholarship. He was intensely interested in developing the College Library, and no more fitting or suitable place could be found for his works than on the library shelves.

Program Changed For Alumni Day

At the last meeting of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association, a unanimous declaration was made to alter certain events in the coming Alumni Day Program in June. The annual luncheon will be held on June 5 in the College Dining Hall, per usual, but this year the luncheon will last only one hour. The Alumni orator will speak for 2 minutes and the college president's time will likewise be shortened to 10 minutes.

Furthermore, the entire Senior Class will be inducted into the Alumni Association at their own class luncheon on Friday. Also, the medallions will be presented at the business meeting instead of at the luncheon as heretofore.

These changes are of significance and importance, and are now published for later convenience.

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Minutes From March 2 Student Assembly Meeting

The Student Assembly of the College of William and Mary held a regular meeting March 2 at 7 o'clock in 206 Marshall-Wythe. The president called the meeting to order. He then installed Bill Pope, Dorothy Engstrand, Bob Blanford and Harold Donohue, and welcomed them as the newly elected members of the Assembly. The minutes were read and approved.

Tex Schick reported that the committee to study the Constitution is still working but had several preliminary suggestions to make. The president left the matter in the hands of the committee and urged it to complete the study by the time of the next meeting.

Jack Carter reported that Dr. Pomfret is going to discuss the activity fees with the Board of Visitors. A long time recommendation of reducing the fee to \$10 has been proposed, and some arrangements are to be made for the duration of the war. The committee was dissolved by the president.

Albert Stuart reported that the committee to study fraternities and sororities is having a meeting with advisors and studying former reports. Since the war will alter the present situation, the committee is considering the fraternity-sorority situation after the war also. Harold Donahue was appointed to fill the vacancy on the committee.

Sunny Manewal reported from the committee on the qualifications for voting. The following recommendations were made: Any person enrolled one or two semesters can be a candidate or vote for a Sophomore office; any person enrolled three or four full semesters can be a candidate or vote for a Junior office; any person enrolled five or six full semesters can be a candidate for a Senior office and any person enrolled five, six or seven full semesters can vote for a Senior office. It was recommended that the grade requirements be left as they are. The president is to meet with the committee and it is to report at the next meeting.

Bob Walsh and some other member to be appointed from the Assembly, are to serve on the Committee on Art and Lectures.

The president reported that a letter had been received from the Reynolds Tobacco Company stating that \$75.50 worth of cigarettes with the William and Mary Seal on

them have been sent to servicemen.

Dean Hoke, Dean of the Summer School, has requested the Assembly to draw up an outline form of an Honor Council to function in summer school. After a discussion in which the members expressed approval of this request, Bill Pope, and Chairman, and Grayson Clary, Marilyn Miller and Lebe Seay were appointed as a committee to draw up this plan to be presented to the Assembly for consideration.

The president presented a petition from the Students' Music Group requesting that they become a recognized organization on campus. The president read their proposed constitution. Nellie Greaves moved that the Assembly approve the constitution and recognize the music group as a club. The motion was seconded and passed.

The president announced that the campus Red Cross Drive will begin on March 8 and urged the members to support it.

The meeting was adjourned at 8 o'clock.

Respectfully submitted,
Marjorie Lentz,
Secretary.

Lent, Time of Hope, Says Dr. Blocker

"Lenten season is the time of penance for some, repentance for others, and hope for most of us today," began Dr. Daniel Blocker, Professor of Sociology, as he spoke during chapel service on the night of Ash Wednesday this week.

The theme of his talk centered on the quotation from Alexander Pope, "An honest man is the noblest work of God," and the one from Henry Van Dyck, "An honest God is the noblest faith of man."

He continued by saying that we should search for truth, and that although there's some unfaithfulness on the home front, the service men certainly have fidelity on the battle front. "It is through fidelity that skepticism can ring out," he concluded.

Williamsburg Methodist Church
At the College Entrance
L. F. Havermale, D.D., Minister
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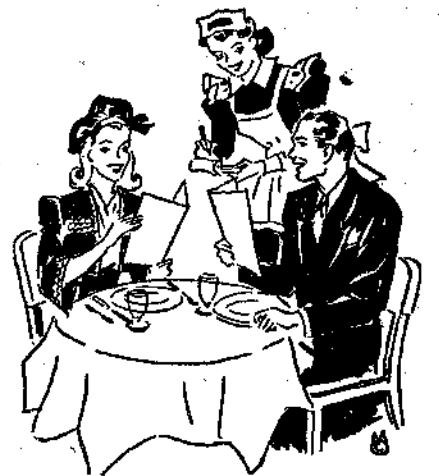
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"Ladies Of Hades Or Hell's Belles"; Varsity Show Title

"The Ladies of Hades or Hell's Belles," will be the title for this year's Varsity Show, sponsored by the Backdrop Club.

Scenes of the pleasant life in the "Underworld" will be depicted. Prominent figures such as Madam Du Barry, Cleopatra, Marie Antoinette, and other luscious lovelies will be seen wandering around in the regions below. The "plot will consist of just enough threads to hold it together," said Martha Newell, chairman of the Script Committee; but the acting and musical numbers should be as sparkling as previous shows.

On March 30, another meeting of the club will be held at which time tryouts will probably begin. Members of the Backdrop Club and their friends are invited to come. The club urges anyone interested in the following to go to these heads of the committees and give them any ideas: Martha Newell, script; Evelyn Cosby, songs; Mime Jardine, acting; Bob Howard, set; Joan Wallace, costume; Peg Lomas, chorus; and Marge Talle, specialty numbers.

The show will be presented on May 13 and 14, which means work must begin now; so "if you have any ideas which are funny but nice," said Jeanne Mencke, president of Backdrop Club, "hand them in, and 'The Ladies of Hades or Hell's Belles' will be a William and Mary production to be remembered."

April 24, Date For Chemistry 7th Contest

The seventh annual Chemistry Contest conducted by the Chemistry Department of the College and the Theta Chi Delta, Honorary Chemistry Fraternity, will be held on April 23, 24, and 25. The contest will consist of a written competitive examination in Elementary Chemistry to be held in Rogers Science Hall on Saturday, April 24, 1943, at 10:15 in the morning.

All men of the Senior classes of public and private high schools in Virginia, who have taken one year of high school chemistry or those taking the course in their Senior year, are eligible for the contest. Each school may enter a maximum of three students. April 17 has been set as the time limit for registration.

A scholarship for \$300 is the first place award and second place is a scholarship for \$200. These scholarships are good only at the College of William and Mary. Five additional prizes of \$2.00 each are offered by the Department and the Fraternity, which are to be awarded to the libraries of those schools whose contestants are next in order to the winners of the scholarships.

All contestants and members of the school faculties accompanying them will be the guests of the College for the week-end of April 23-25. Visiting students will tour the Exhibition Buildings of Colonial Williamsburg as guests of the college.

The "Open House" program of (Continued on Page 6)

Miss Bean Plays Violin Solo On W. & M. Broadcast

Miss Betty Bean, acting instructor in the Fine Arts Department, will be interviewed on the regular weekly William and Mary broadcast on station WRNL at 7:30 Wednesday evening in Phi Beta Kappa Hall.

During the program, Miss Bean will play Corelli's Sonata in E Minor and a composition of Hadyn's in G Minor on her violin, which is over 300 years old. She will be accompanied by Mr. Allan Sly on the piano.

The script writers for this program will be Jill Stauff and Dick Owen. The program manager is Martha Whiteman. As usual, Tom Miller will be the announcer.

Co-Eds Give Red Cross \$733.33

"Give, give 'till it hurts," cried the Red Cross when the Red Cross drive began; and the co-eds of William and Mary answered that cry by giving—maybe not 'till it hurt, but at least \$733.33—\$483.30 over the total amount given last year by the entire student body, and \$224.50 over the original goal set by the W. S. C. G. A.

Every dormitory, sorority house, and fraternity house was given a quota to fill. Each quota was numerically equal (in dollars) to 80% of the total number of students residing in that particular house. By Saturday night every women's dorm and sorority house had surpassed its quota and the women's drive was complete. The only information obtainable about the men's drive was that \$65 had been yielded by the four fraternity houses collected from at that time.

Brown Hall and the Alpha Chi Omega House almost equalled George Washington in first. They were not only the first dormitory and sorority house, respectively, to exceed their quotas but also were the first to have 100% membership.

College Calendar

Tuesday, March 16—

Mr. McCrea, Washington 200, 7:30-10 P. M.
Colonial Echo Meeting, Echo Office, 7:30 P. M.
Lambda Phi Sigma Meeting, Music Building, 7 P. M.
Theta Chi Delta Meeting, Rogers 312, 7 P. M.
Flat Hat News Staff, 6:30 P. M.

Wednesday, March 17—

Mr. McCrea, Washington 200, 7:30-10 P. M.
Accounting Club Meeting, Marshall-Wythe 303, 7:30 P. M.
Clayton Grimes Biology Club Meeting, Washington 100, 7:15 P. M.
Spanish Club Meeting, Barrett, 7:30 P. M.
Women's Debate Council Meeting, Philomathean, 5 P. M.
Chi Delta Phi Meeting, Barrett, 9 P. M.

Thursday, March 18—

Y. W. C. A. Cabinet Meeting, Phi Beta Phi House, 5 P. M.
Mr. McCrea, Washington 200, 7:30-10 P. M.
Euclid Club Meeting, Washington 202, 7 P. M.
Monogram Club Meeting, Red Cross Rooms, 5 P. M.
Phoenix Literary Society, Philomathean, 7 P. M.
Student's Religious Union Meeting, Wren 100, 7 P. M.

Friday, March 19—

Kappa Chi Kappa Meeting, Barrett, 7 P. M.
Wesley Foundation Cabinet Meeting, Methodist Church, 4 P. M.
Wesley Foundation Cabinet Open House, Methodist Church, 8 P. M.
German Club Dance, Blow Gymnasium, 9-1 P. M.

Sunday, March 21—

Wesley Foundation Meeting, Methodist Church, 7 P. M.
B. S. U. Young People's Fellowship, Homes in Town, 7 P. M.
Westminster Fellowship Meeting, Presbyterian Church, 6 P. M.
B. S. U. Sunday School, Baptist Church, 10 A. M.
Student's Music Group Concert, Phi Beta Kappa Hall, 2 P. M.
Student's Music Group Reception, Dodge Room, 3 P. M.

Monday, March 22—

Mortar Board Meeting, Mortar Board Room, 5P. M.
Panhellenic Council, Wren, 4 P. M.

Pendleton, Seay Elected To W.S.C.G.A. Positions

V-12 Entrance Applications Now Available

Men interested in taking the test for entrance into the Navy V-12 program should contact Dr. D. W. Woodbridge, Faculty Military Advisor, immediately. Application forms for the test have arrived and are being distributed to eligible students by him. The V-12 program is open to all high and preparatory school graduates not less than 17 or more than 20 years of age. High and preparatory school Seniors in the same age group, who will graduate by July 1, 1943, may also take the test. Men who are now enlisted in any of the armed services cannot take it.

To be eligible for selection one must be a male citizen of the United States, be normally and physically qualified for this program, be unmarried and agree to remain unmarried until commissioned, and evidence potential officer qualifications. The test will be given to those selected for it at nine o'clock on the morning of April 2, 1943. Men who are successful on the test will be admitted to the new Navy College Training Program which is scheduled to begin about July 1, 1943.

Marine Corps Reserves men were called to Dr. Woodbridge's office last week to fill out questionnaire cards. These men, unless they are Seniors graduating in June, will enter the new Navy Training Program in July. They will be called to active duty as privates and will then remain in school on an active status. Freshman and Sophomore Reserves will have to qualify for the program by a screening test. Successful ones will remain in a college participating in the new Navy program.

India produced about one per cent of the world's rubber before the war, but now accounts for 9 per cent of natural rubber available to the United Nations.

Francis Pendleton was elected Chairman of Judicial Committee and Lebe Seay was elected Chairman of Honor Council of the Women Student's Co-operative Government Association for the coming year in an election held Wednesday, March 10.

In the same election, Dinny Lee was elected Secretary of Executive Council; Grace Duvoisin, Secretary of Judicial Committee; Eleanor Harvey, Junior member of Judicial Committee; and Jan Freer, Sophomore member of Honor Council.

Another set of W. S. C. G. A. elections will be held Wednesday afternoon in the women's dormitories from 4 to 6 P. M. Nominations for these offices are as follows:

2 Senior Members of Honor Committee: Dot Agurk, Barbara Gray, Muriel Koch, Peggy Moore, Betty Niederlander, Marjorie Retzke, Marion Ross, Marjorie Talle.

Sophomore Members of Judicial Committee: Jean Beazley, Julie Healy, Pat Cyle, Betty Lawson.

Two Representatives-At-Large to Executive Council: Mary Wilson Carver, Mary Jean Chamberlain, Mae Clark, Debby Davis, Jean Mencke, Russ Powers, Sunny Trumbo.

Two Representatives-At-Large to Judicial Committee: Lelila Ann Avery, Audrey Hudgins, Mary Ellen MacLean, Marilyn Miller, Ann Pettigrew, Katie Rutherford, Jean (Bookie) Wilder.

Women's Athletic Committee: Sophomore: Tippy Adams, Janet Ginsberg, Ann (Tony) Lester, Sue McGeachin.

Junior: Grace Duvoisin, Millie Foster, Sue Lamb, Martha Macklin.

Senior: Mary Wilson Carver, Marion Commery, Eleanor Rhenby, Barbara Ruhl, Gussie Williams.

About 10 million pounds of copper will be saved for war production through an order controlling the use and sale of copper textile printing rollers.

Women Students Of W.-M. Learn Requirements and Needs of SPARS

By KATIE RUTHERFORD

Ensign Cockburn, a SPAR, explained to a group of 50 women students last Wednesday night the urgent need for well-trained women to fill responsible jobs in the shore stations of the Coast Guard. There are two major aims which the SPARS are striving toward—that of releasing men from desk jobs so that they can go into active service overseas, and that of furthering their own education, through service training, so they will be adequately fitted to tackle the jobs of the post-war world. In connection with Ensign Cockburn's talk, three movies were shown depicting the work of the Coast Guard in weather observation, ice patrol in the northern shipping lanes, maintenance of harbor facilities, policing our coasts to stop contraband activities, and promoting safety at sea.

At the present time, Officer Candidates in the SPARS are college graduates, with no particular field of concentration prescribed. The officer candidates receive partial training for three months at

Smith or Mount Holyoke College, and then go to the Coast Guard Academy, where they learn military drilling, firing, and etiquette, and have the same routine and same type of dormitories as the regular Coast Guard Cadets. Ensign Cockburn stressed the fact that women students should try to stay in college and graduate, rather than leave college to join one of the women's branches of the services.

Enlisted personnel are those women having high school and business experience. They are sent to college for one month, after which they go to a specialists' school, to learn the fine points of coding, bookkeeping, or handling of facts, figures, and finances. There are opportunities, she affirms, for women to use their college work in almost any field of concentration.

At the present time, there are no SPARS being sent overseas. Applicants must be either 20 years of age with their parents' consent, or 21, and must, of course, pass the mental and physical examinations required for entrance.



Campus "rakes" take over job of keeping William and Mary grounds clean. This group is under the foremanship of Bill Remick (extreme left with back to camera).

These ground keepers are excused from Physical Education, in order that they may have the time to work. Let no man believe that this job is easy. These fellows work through hail, sleet, rain, and snow.

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Students Voice Opinions

"I feel that the action was a breach of the very principles for which we are fighting. It seems to me that the Assembly should meet and take some action on the question," contributes Jim Glassman, '43.

"The action taken both by the Publications Committee and Mr. Bellis was very hasty. It certainly concerns the students as much as either of them, and I think a Student Assembly meeting would be appropriate and fair," says Bill Britton, '45.

Louise Thomas, 45, says, "I certainly think that the Student Assembly should meet. If this is to be a democratic school, then our actions ought to point in that direction—so let the students voice their opinions!"

Gloria Chrestlick, '46, says, "The Student Assembly should definitely meet. A newspaper can't be dictated to."

"A meeting of the Student Assembly," states Ruth Weimer, '45, "is the only answer to the problem. It is up to the student body to decide that which concerns them!"

Clem Vaughn, '45, expressed his opinion with, "It seems a meeting of the Student Assembly would be the better method to clear the whole nasty affair up."

When asked her opinion, Billie Davison, 44, said, "The resignation of Mr. Bellis resulting from the recent violation of the right of freedom of the press committed by the Publications Committee is entirely understandable. I see no reason why trial by an interested jury and disregard for the freedom of the press should be allowed on this campus."

The opinion of Abner K. Pratt II is, "I was astounded by the action of the Publications Committee and the subsequent events. I had supposed l'affaire Dunham to be entirely closed. Two salient points impressed me; first, the obvious and dangerous precedent established by which the Editor becomes in reality the flunkie of the Publications Committee; and, secondly, the fact that three interested parties sat on the Committee during the hearing, even if one did not vote, none of them should have even taken part in the procedure. The cause of the whole business was a minor affair. It has been chosen by the Publications Committee to make a minor issue of a major one. Personally, I am for the freedom of the press."

Says Kitty S. Jones, '43, "I feel that under the circumstances, Mr. Bellis was fully within his rights to resign, but I do not think that it was a fair trial. Mr. Dunham was not tried by an impartial jury."

Louis Rives came forth with the following statement, "The means were poor, but the results were excellent."

"I do think there should be another meeting of the Student As-

sembly," says Jinny Kelcey, '45. "This is a democracy — why not keep it democratic?"

Jim Ward, in voicing his opinion, says, "I think it seems that the Publications Committee was hasty and that it appears now they have a strict power of censorship over the FLAT HAT. The Committee should have been made up of persons who had no connection with the affair."

"Neither Mr. Bellis nor any other person should be forced to give up his freedom of expression and action. The decision of the Publications Committee was a high-handed violation of the rights of any person, whether at college or the nation at large. Therefore, I feel Mr. Bellis did the only thing he could under the circumstances—resign," adds Marion Albright.

"Though I don't agree with everything Bellis has written, I don't think he's been treated fairly. Freedom of the press is one of the things for which we are fighting," says Norman Travs.

William M. Ditto, '44, states, "It seems to me that the two main objects of a college education are (1) to familiarize the student with the tools of his chosen profession and (2) to prepare the student for the post-college world. As we, as a nation, are now fighting a war to preserve our rights (such as freedom off the press) why should we be deprived of these privileges here in college where we are supposed to be trained?"

In a letter to the editor, Kitty Brown writes: "It seems to me that the last sentence in Mr. Rosowsky's column of last issue, 'I protest against such an offense, thinking of Voltaire who said, 'I disagree with what you say, but I shall defend to the death your right to say it.'", expresses all that any free-thinking, honestly-American student must feel at this time."



Bonita Granville and Tim Holt together in "Hitler's Children". Based on Gregor Ziemer's Best-Seller, "Education For Death", as told to the millions of readers of "Readers Digest". Playing at the Williamsburg Theatre, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 18, 19, 20.

Feminine Basketball Game Brings Thrills And Spills

By SUNNY MANEWAL

Ray-y comes the scream from the balcony as the ball sinks into a basket, someone crashes to the floor, and a whistle blows—all in a mere moment of a girls' intramural basketball game. The Big Green five has nothing on these feminine sextets when it comes to enthusiasm and action, for the girls have been playing as hard as their Indian brothers ever did.

At the start of the game three forwards and their opposing guards, clad in bright-colored shorts and shirts, which in many cases bear Greek letter insignias, line up on each side of the center line, and with a cry of "Captains ready?" the referee throws the ball to the center. From that point on the game is a wild but point-gathering scramble—airial passes, bounce passes, shot after shot aimed at the basket. "She who hesitates is lost" is the motto and mercurochrome.

Old Dominion Men Move To Make Room For Navy Chaplain's School

By LARRY GOULD

Make way for the Navy . . . Last week 148 Old Dominion men packed their clothes, gathered other belongings in a heap, and began moving them from O. D. to other points on campus. Some went to Monroe, some to Tyler, some to Taliaferro, and a few to fraternity houses. O. D. was left dark and lifeless, waiting.

Waiting until tomorrow, when 150 Navy Chaplains will take over. Life will be restored when they begin climbing the ladders to the first, second, third, and fourth decks. The Chaplains have been expected for a long time. Everyone knew they were coming, but nobody could say when. Inspection tours of the campus were made by Naval officers. The first floor of Monroe was evacuated, and everyone was sure that the other two floors would be cleared when the Navy came. Then it became known that the Navy preferred O. D. because it was roomier. Men there had visions of moving to other rooms.

Suspense was ended last Wednesday when a notice, telling the boys to see Mr. Lewis and make arrangements for other rooms, was placed on the O. D. bulletin board. And the fun began, as the visions became reality, and the problem of securing new rooms and moving to them was faced. First to get the room, then to move as much as possible in a minimum number of trips. So it was not at all surprising to see fellows with as many as four hats on their heads, two or three pairs of pants in their arms, along with blankets and books, an alarm clock in one hand, and a reading lamp in the other. Several lucky ones managed to gain possession of a wheelbarrow.

"The most amazing thing about it," said Mr. Lewis, "is that the last man who came to see me about a new room was the man who got the last available room on campus."

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Club Notes

Dramatic Club

At the next meeting of the Dramatic Club, which will be held this Thursday evening in Wren Kitchen, Vice-President Mimi Jardine will present several readings from Emlyn Williams's "The Corn Is Green." The staging and the history of this play will be the subject of Tom Miller's talk. Gloria Hanners will speak on Ethel Barrymore. Several members of the club expect to go to Richmond in the near future to see "The Corn Is Green," which will be presented by the original New York company.

Balfour Club

Last Tuesday the Balfour Club discussed plans for several entertainments. Tentative plans were made for the club banquet and a tea which will be given to entertain a number of soldiers from Fort Eustis.

A contribution of ten dollars has been made to the American Red Cross by the club.

Clayton-Grimes Biological Club

At the regular meeting of the Clayton-Grimes Biological Club, Mrs. E. W. Ewing, who has been studying the habits of the birds of Williamsburg and vicinity, gave an interesting talk on her observations of such birds. Afterwards, Mrs. Ewing led an informal discussion of birds in general—migration, unusual birds and also of Charles Audubon, noted bird naturalist.

Scarab Club

The membership drive undertaken at the March 11 meeting of the Scarab Club will come to a close Thursday, March 18, when a business meeting will be held in the Dodge Room of Phi Beta Kappa for the purpose of choosing the executive committee and drawing up the policy and rules of the club. Members have been asked to bring their second semester dues.

All men and women students interested in joining the club have been urged to sign the membership paper posted on the door of Miss Betty Bean's office in the Fine Arts Building.

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Few Lettermen Make Baseball Prospects Very Slim

Trackmen Work Out; Co-Captains Elected

Busily engaged in preparing for their forthcoming meets, the William and Mary track team, under the tutelage of Coach Swede Umbach, has been hard hit by the loss of key men to the Army. With the loss of Captain Phil Thomas, Dudley Woods, and Bud Clarke, Coach Umbach is hard at work replacing them. Only four lettermen are returning from last year's team but with many new men out for track, the squad numbers about 25.

At an election last Wed. night, the team voted that Scotty Cunningham and Hank Pitzer be co-captains for this season. Cunningham will run the 440 while Pitzer's specialty is the 2-mile run.

To replace Harlie Masters, last year's dash man, Coach Umbach has dug up Francis McFall, a freshman, who received valuable experience while running in high school. The only advance information that we have on McFall is that he consistently does the 100 in less than 10 seconds which is exceptionally good time for the dash. Other men sure of positions are: Jack Freeman and Jack Merrick in the pole vault, Red Irwin in the high jump and javelin throw, Walt Weaver in the high jump, Bill Powell in the 2-mile run, and Henry Shook and Scotty Morenci in the weight events.

Coach Umbach, when asked if he had any predictions for the season, refused to comment, saying that he does not know how their opponents shape up so he can not commit himself.

The schedule, as is so far known, is as follows:

- April 3, Apprentice School (there).
- April 17, VMI (here).
- May 1, Richmond (here).
- May 8, State Meet (undecided as to place).
- May 15, Southern Conference Meet (undecided as to place).

Sigma Rho, SAE Tie For Lead

With the intramural basketball tourney coming into the home stretch, two teams, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Sigma Rho are still tied for the lead, both having one defeat to mar their records. Both teams played games this past week. S.A.E. defeated Monroe Hall 40 to 14 with Francis McFall scoring 14 points for the winners. In the best contest of the week, Sigma Rho eked out a 22 to 21 victory over Sigma Pi. The game was close all the way, there not being more than one point separating the teams down to the last minute of play. Harvey Johnson led the Sigma Rho's in scoring with 7 points while Barr, Anderson, and Smith scored 6, 5, and 5, respectively, for the Sigma Pi's.

In the event of a tie for first place between the two teams after the round-robin is completed, there will have to be a play-off for the title. Both teams, however, still have one or two games to play; and if either one of them is beaten, the other automatically succeeds to the title.

Other games played during the week were: Theta Delt beating P.K.A. 32 to 26 with Simms pacing the winners with 12 points; Phi Alpha nosing out Phi Tau 39 to 35, Hutcheson scoring 17 points for the losers; Theta Delt also trimming Kappa Sig 40 to 12 and Lambda Chi upsetting Phi Alpha 28 to 25 in a hard-fought game.

The tournament will be concluded by the end of this week.

During the second and third quarters of 1943, the Army's conditional requirements call for 18 million underwear garments and 48 million pairs of socks.

The Benchwarmer

By STAN BERNSTEIN

Since this is the start of a new sports column, I'd like to explain to my readers exactly what will appear here henceforth. I shall try to give as many interesting "sports side-lights" as possible with little editorial comment. I shall try to make the column as diversified as I can and not stick to any one particular William and Mary sport, so here goes:

The only interesting news of late is the formation of a Spring athletic policy and a tentative Fall schedule for next year by Coach Voyles.

After meeting with the other Southern Conference coaches, Mr. Voyles decided that all spring sports shall have the go-ahead signal except golf. All the other state schools have dropped this sport; and, since we could not plan a schedule close to home, the sport was dropped. However, Track and Baseball will continue as usual with more games close to home and fewer away.

As far as next Fall is concerned, nothing definite can be announced yet. Mr. Voyles would like to have home and home games with the other state teams if it would not interfere with the war effort. Of course, if all the Reserves are called up before then, the athletic policy of the school will be determined by either the Army or the Navy, depending upon which unit is installed here.

Mr. Voyles plans to stress, even more, the physical-training programs and the intramural athletics. With less emphasis on inter-collegiate athletics due to the war, intramural athletics must be stressed to keep up the physical fitness programs outlined by both the Army and the Navy.

"Korky"- "Stud" Are Diamond Captains

With just four returning lettermen this season, it appears that Coach Rube McCray's job will be to build a baseball team from the ground up. Harvey Johnson and Marvin Bass, outfielders, Johnny Korczowski, catcher, and Howard Smith, shortstop, will be the nucleus of William and Mary's diamond crew. At an election held recently, Korczowski and Johnson were unanimously elected co-captains for the season.

The Indians, fourth in the Big Six last year, suffered heavily by graduation and losses to the armed services. Three infield positions, two outfield, and, due to Korczowski's football injury, perhaps catcher, must be filled, almost entirely by Freshmen. Lost from last year's veteran squad are Roy Merritt and Tom Crane, pitchers; Leftwich, 3B; Jimmy Howard, LF; Les Hooker, 1B; and Colonna, 2B. Five fine prospects from the 1943 Freshman squad have been lost into service: Hubbard, Walthall, Marasco, Brenner, and Clowes. Bidell and Westheaver, Freshmen prospects, have likewise been called into the Armed Forces.

The full squad reported for practice yesterday, though catchers and pitchers have been out daily since last week. Helping Korczowski behind the plate will be Reisenfeld and Monocure. Tex Warrington, ineligible last year, looks like the number one flinger for the Big Green this season. The rest of the hurling duties will be held up by Freshmen, including: Eubank, Nunn, Haggerty, and Clark. Jim Macon will be valuable in relief roles. With practice just two days old, Coach McCray is unable to pick anything like a probable lineup, though by next week one may be possible.

The schedule is now in the process of revision, and the usual 20 games are being cut to 14, due, of course, to wartime restrictions on travel. Two games are planned before Spring vacation, though the dates have not been set as yet. The Indians are scheduling home and home games with V. P. I., Richmond, V. M. I., Washington and Lee, and Hampden-Sydney. Single games are to be played with Navy and the Quantico Marines, as well as two nearby camp teams.

The three top teams in the state for the coming campaign appear to be Richmond, V. P. I. and Hampden-Sydney, respectively.

That the team will come from a green and inexperienced squad is readily admitted by Coach McCray. He is depending upon the Freshmen, and from them will develop the real answer to this year's baseball fortunes.

Wrestling Intramurals

With very few men competing, the intramural wrestling tournament was completed last week. However, runner-up positions have not been decided as yet but will be run off sometime in the near future. As announced by wrestling coach Swede Umbach, the results in the different classes are as follows:

121-lb. class—James Saunders defeated Dick Salmen (decision).

136-lb. class—Melvir Simms defeated Bob Walst (decision).

145-lb. class—John Manos defeated Norman Tavss (decision).

Stuart Hurley defeated Emerson Barrett (fall).

Bill Outten defeated Bill Gill (fall).

Semi-finals—Bill Outten defeated Stuart Hurley (decision).

Finals—John Manos defeated Bill Outten (fall).

155-lb. class—Ed Guy defeated Al Doumar (fall).

Bob Howard defeated W. L. Brittingham (decision).

Finals—Ed Guy defeated Bob Howard (decision).

165-lb. class—Graysen Clary, winner (uncontested).

175-lb. class—Joe Rego defeated Dick Videto (fall).

Ed Mikula defeated Eddie Anderson (fall).

Finals—Ed Mikula defeated Joe Rego (decision).

Heavyweight class—Mel Wright

New Intramurals To Be Launched

Intramural Director Swede Umbach has just announced the opening of a new Handball Tournament for men. The drawings have been made and are posted on the bulletin board of Blow Gym. First round matches should be played off during the next week.

Arrangements are being made for the annual Volleyball tournament to start. The schedule of the games will be posted as soon as the current basketball competition is finished.

Also starting soon will be the Intramural Soft-ball League with Dorm teams competing with the Fraternity teams. The co-operation of all Fraternities and Dormitories is requested so that all tournaments will be run off according to schedule. The Bowling and the Ping Pong tourneys will have to be postponed until all the other Intramurals have been completed.

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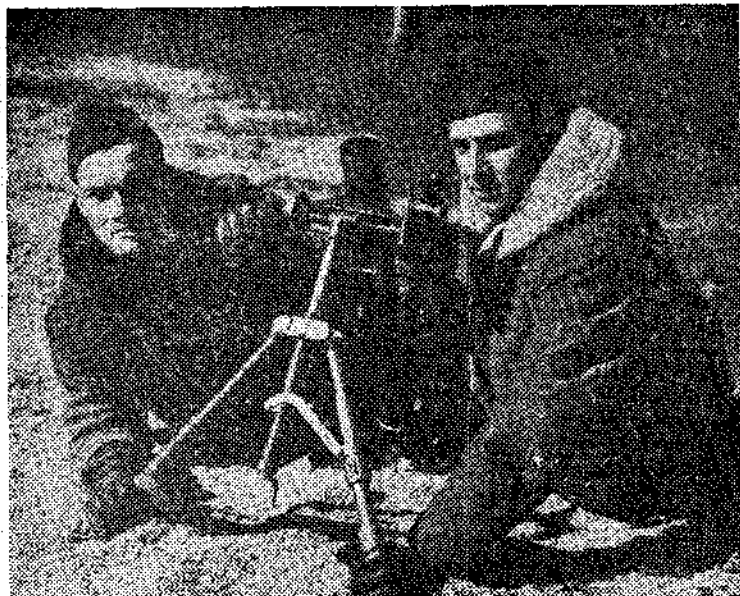
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Alumni News Of Servicemen

Special News Releases were made this week from the Army Air Force Gulf Coast Training Center at Randolph Field, Texas, and the U. S. Naval Air Training Center at Pensacola, Florida. These releases reviewed the records of the former students of William and Mary. These boys are Lieut. Stacey B. Warden, Warren J. Cahnneider and B. S. Read of the Marine Corps.



BEN S. READ (left of mortar)

Ben Read, class of '42, graduates Science and was active in Theta Delta Chi, the FLAT HAT, Football and Baseball and was also a President's Aide.



STACY B. WARDEN

Stacy B. Warden, former student of William and Mary, graduated as Second Lieutenant from the Lubbock Flying School in Texas. Warden left school in his freshman year to join the Air Corps; and after receiving his commission as Second Lieutenant, he was transferred to Ephrata, Washington, and is now a second pilot on a B-17 Flying Fortress.

Foster Parents Plan

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ish, Norwegian, and German children.

Organizations on William and Mary campus which have contributed are:

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Greek Letters

By EUGENE M. HANOFEE

Gamma Alpha Chapter of Phi Mu announces the pledging of Dorothy Green, of Baltimore, Maryland.

Alpha Pi Chapter of Kappa Delta announces with pleasure the initiation of Joy Allen, Wellesley Hills, Mass.; Peggy Burdick, Baltimore, Md.; Betty Jean Grant, Middleton, Ohio; Janet Hilton, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Dorothy Hope, Rahway, N. J.; Patricia Lavery, Williamsburg, Va.; Margaret Pratt, White Plains, N. Y.; Lorraine Wier, Elizabeth, N. J.; and Vicki Gorham, Me. It also wishes to announce the pledging of Betty Reid Driscoll, who will be remembered for her performance as Mrs. Damon in "The Male Animal."

The Theta's have elected Maureen Elizabeth Gothlin president. Their other officers are: Marjorie Jean Retzke, vice-president; Lillian Herndon Bourne, recording secretary; Julia Audrey Hudgins, corresponding secretary; and Mary Patricia Bodine, treasurer.

Alpha Chi Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta announces with pleasure the initiation of Eleanor Dumper, of Brightwater, Long Island, and Dee Dumas, of Dormont, Pennsylvania. It also wishes to announce the pledging of Connie Coolie, Edith McChesney, and Bertie Stamm.

The new Phi Alpha initiates are: Alan Verner, Perth Amboy, N. J.; Merton Friedman, Newton Center, Mass.; Harry Tanzer, Boston, Mass.; and Raymond Kaufman, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Alpha Mu Chapter of Delta Delta Delta wishes to announce with pleasure the initiation of Martha Lovell Adams, Jean Olive Beazley, Ann Watkins Bruce, Eleanor Louise Limbath, Janie Frances Pearce, Betty Jane Relf, Helen Louise Robinson, Genevieve Ann Sherrer, Patricia L. Slosson, and Jeanne F. Waker. At the same time it would also like to announce the pledging of Virginia McGavack.

Chaplains To Attend Class In Wren, 2nd Floor M-W.

Several points concerning the evacuation of Old Dominion and the forthcoming chaplain unit were discussed at the latest meeting of the General Cooperative Committee.

Students who have moved into rooms which are more expensive than those in which they have formerly lived will be charged according to the pro-rata plan. Therefore, a student moving into a more expensive room pays only one-half (since almost one-half of the semester has elapsed) of the difference between the price of his new room and that of his old room.

Buzzin' C. B.'s Spell Success At ODK Frolic

By H. ALAN HARKAVY

Write-ups in the FLAT HAT following the usual campus frolic in Blow Gym are usually filled with descriptions of evening dresses, white ties, tails, and the decorations of the dance hall.

However, it behooves me to break away from the ordinary, in a review of last Friday night's ODK dance, in expressing my unqualified approval of the music.

As dances go, so went this one, except for the fact that the hall was rockin' to the strains of some of the most powerful swing, and smooth music interpretations, that this wrier has ever heard.

The combination of three trumpets, two trombones, and five shaded saxes in the Seabee band brought back memories of the old bands sponsored by the brothers Dorsey, and the Rex of the clarinet—B.G.

The light of true showmanship burned in the eyes of the little C.P.O. who led the band with exaggerated gestures, and futile but funny attempts on the "ride" clarinet.

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April 24 Date For Chemistry Contest

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Theta Chi Delta will be held on Friday evening, April 23.

The Virginia high schools that were represented in the contest held last year are: Clifton Forge High School, Clifton Forge; E. C. Glass High School, Lynchburg; Farmville High School, Farmville; Franklin High School, Southampton; George Washington High School, Alexandria; Hampton High School, Hampton; Louisa County High School, Mineral; Maury High School, Norfolk; Popponesset High School, Jeffers; Quantico Post School, Quantico; St. Patrick's Academy, Richmond; Thomas Jefferson High School, Richmond; Toano High School, Toano; Warren County High School, Front Royal; Washington-Henry High School, Ellersburg; Washington-Lee High School, Arlington.

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Monogrammers Roll Bandages To Aid In Red Cross Work

By JEANNE KRAUSE

(NOTE—This is the fifth in a series of articles, the purpose of which will be to describe the efforts of students who are giving their time and energy outside of school affairs in an attempt to "do their share" in the war effort.)

Have you ever tried going crazy? There's a simple guaranteed way to learn how in one easy lesson. Just spend an afternoon with the Monogram Club in Phi Beta Kappa Hall rolling bandages for the Red Cross and find out what it can do for your nervous system in 10 hectic minutes. Of course, it takes more "knack," time, effort, interest, and stick-to-it-ness than it does to make a first class mud-pie; but in reality, it's quite simple. One Monogram member described the process thus: "You tear over to Phi Beta one Thursday afternoon a month, plunk yourself down in the nearest chair, fix your little cardboard pattern in a good position so that you can follow it easily, and then the

great 'rolling' race gets under way." Rolling is described as placing one edge of gauze over another until your work of art vaguely resembles a bandage. After an hour of this procedure, which generally nets 15 gauze bandages per person (if she is a good "roller"), Monogram Club members find it rather difficult to come back to earth. Silently, as they've been rolling, they've been mumbling to themselves "1-2, button your shoe; 3-4, just a couple more," which somehow keeps up the rhythm. An amazing phenomenon some times results from one of these rolling orgies. It's called "Bandies," which simply means that for a few hours afterwards the girls go about unconsciously making bandages out of any available object — towels, napkins, handkerchiefs, and other assorted sundries which happen to be handy at the moment. It's quite amazing, not only to onlookers, but to the bandage-makers themselves. If you've seen Charlie Chaplin in "Modern Times," messing with bolts and nuts, you know what I mean.

Monogram Club members are not the only persons who give their time to this necessary and important war effort plan. Others also go over any afternoon to Phi Beta to make bandages under the direction of a Red Cross Nurses' Aide.

The Red Cross needs bandages just as much as the Army needs soldiers, and they're certainly a lot easier to make. Those who have been helping out in this important war production suggest "Try it some time." And why not? Your aid would be of great service to this national organization, so why not give a little time to helping out where your help certainly is needed.

Me And My Bunx

Monday—Up today bright and early. Breakfast with the Bunx and reasonable facsimiles thereof. Discussed the world situation. Think I'll write a letter to The Flat Hat. I decided at lunch with the Happy Bunk the Soviet cannot be defeated. The other Bunk said Moscow will never be taken and she should know. Had a disagreeable paper to write on something like "The Loudii Spiritual," so I'll write The Flat Hat tomorrow.

Tuesday—The Other Bunk came in the room tonight with a most disagreeable namby-pamby, holier-than-thou voice of a sheepish, smirking Senior. It seems that they told her—why I will never know—that she could graduate next year with one semester of summer school. The Happy Bunk and I listened to all the possibilities for as long as we could, then gave her four minutes to vacate, after proving to her that those four little bumps behind the ears didn't mean intelligence but measles.

Wednesday—I did it. Yes, dyed that old grey sweater red. There's something about a red sweater that fascinates me. For years I've been hiding my light under a bushel in grey. Comes the box of dye and boiling water. It really was a wonderful idea except for one small detail. It looks just like a case of high spirits, or maybe the farmers have invented something new, but I've never had pink potatoes before tonight. Maybe I shouldn't have used the kitchenware after all to dye the sweater in.

Thursday—I'm bitter. He was the nicest ensign, too, a young fellow of good birth and upbringing who had chosen the profession of law. I trusted him and hoped that perhaps he would cast a few honest words of wisdom my way. Great was my disappointment when I discovered he too had feet of clay. Why are all men—I say WHY?

Friday—History has its possibilities when one looks at it that way —AND one should. I have been thinking of my future in regard to my long and beautiful background in the French Revolution—causes and effects. I might become an official in charge of a museum or art gallery, or then again I might waste my time in class and finish drawing mustaches on the pictures in my encyclopedia, if I had a pencil—if I had an encyclopedia. It's not that I'm bitter, it's just that I'd like to spend a crazy technicolor week-end in Havana, unsubdued by the aura of inertia, before I settle down to a tense nerve-racking undiluted life of work and study.

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The Committee For College Credit To Students In War Service gave the following report to the faculty on Tuesday, March 9:

In order to facilitate the work of the Committee on Degrees, which is charged with the responsibility of the administration of college credit to students who leave college to contribute to the war effort, the following codification of reports was submitted to the faculty for consideration.

Full credit toward graduation will be granted to those students leaving college during the semester before graduation who have substantially completed half of the work of the semester. The final marks will be determined by the instructors at the time of withdrawal. Other students who have substantially completed half of the work of a semester may receive credit for one-half more of the work which they were taking. Credit for work under these regulations is conditioned on attendance until notice of induction is received or until, in the judgment of the committee, he is justified in withdrawing.

In the establishment of such credit, "blanket credit" will not be given, but credit will be granted to individuals for satisfactory accomplishment in fields of study acceptable to the college. In the event that credits earned under this last regulation will fulfill degree requirements to the satisfaction of the Department of Concentration and the Committee on Degrees, any unfilled residence requirements may be waived. The Committee on Degrees will report to the faculty from time to time its action on cases coming under these regulations.

Organist To Give Recital At Bruton

Dr. David McKinney Williams, organist of Saint Bartholomew's Church in New York City, will give an organ recital at Bruton Parish Church Tuesday night, March 23, at 8 P. M. This will be the first recital played on the new church organ, and this occasion will be the formal opening of the organ. Dr. Williams planned and designed this organ with Ernest M. Skinner of Boston.

Dr. Williams is also one of the editors of the Hymn book now in use throughout all Episcopal Churches. He will give a talk on church music in general at the preceding evening, March 22.

"Many of the William and Mary students will be interested in attending this concert to hear such a prominent organist," states Mr. Allan Sly of the Music and Fine Arts Departments.

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Dr. Thompson Outlines Trends At Seminar Meeting

Speaking on "Population Trends in Virginia and the Country as a Whole," at the Marshall-Wythe Seminar meeting Thursday, March 11, Dr. Thompson, Director of Population Studies, State Planning Board, Richmond, Virginia, outlined previous population trends, using them as a basis for studying present and future trends. The first part of his talk was devoted to the population of the United States as a whole, pointing out the steady decreases since the turn of the century. The second section was given over to the population trends of Virginia, emphasizing the migration of the young people to the larger urban areas. The third and final part of the lecture was devoted to three problems resulting from population trends: (1) The shift from rural areas to urban, (2) the desirability of decentralized industry, (3) rapid increase of women in industry.

After the discussion a panel discussion was held and questions concerning population were addressed to Mr. Thompson.

The next Seminar lecture, which will be held on Thursday, March 25, will be on the organization of peace after the war. Dr. Clyde Eagleton, Professor of Political Studies at New York University, is to be the guest speaker.

War Board Finds City's Population Has Been Doubled

After a careful survey made by the students of the College trained in approved census methods and statistical analysis under the supervision of Dr. Charles F. Marsh and Dr. Sharvey Umbeck, data has been released which is believed to be fully dependable and conservative, rather than "loaded."

The population of Williamsburg on January 1, 1943, is estimated at 6,273, an increase of 59.1% since the census of 1940, according to the data released. The increase places Williamsburg among the fastest growing cities of the Hampton Road area, showing the greatest expansion of Army and Navy activities during the past two years. It is believed that Williamsburg's growth in population is exceeded by only one other city in Virginia.

Since the census was taken, certain sections from the James City and York County area have been annexed and a great deal of building has taken place. Before the war the areas included the fastest growing portion of the city.

These increases in population are in line with similar increases in other cities. They also reflect the existing problems in housing and food supplies, indicating the extent which present housing and business facilities are being taxed.

The War Board points out that additional tabulations on housing and other data will follow. These are in line with the Board's fact-finding studies in an effort to deal with problems growing out of the war.

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Our Work As We See It

We continue our work as we see fit, with no malice in our hearts. As we continue we have a faint new hope—the hope that the actions of the past week have stirred up enough student, faculty, and administrative opinion, to start the FLAT HAT on its way again in its thus far sadly unsuccessful attempt to discourage the extremely disinterested attitude on this campus.

The sorry realization has come to us many times that the entire college population has failed to show any reaction whatsoever to college events and activities, good or bad. In a futile attempt to remedy this maddening disinterest, several weak explanations have shown themselves. 1st, all of us are satisfied with the dull existence we now lead, and prefer a colorless college life to the trouble it would take to make life worthwhile by merely showing an ounce of interest even once in a while.—or 2nd, a good majority of the individuals are not as passive as their interest would indicate. They are merely afraid to express their real convictions, because they are horrified at the thought of sticking their precious necks out for fear their neighbors will chop them off with a few meaningless sarcastic remarks.—or 3rd, the student body, faculty, and administrative authorities are wrapped up in a soft blanket of red tape that would encourage disinterest in almost anything.—or 4th, nobody cares, and no stimulus seems to be great enough to make them care outside of their screaming demands, "Why doesn't someone do something about the deplorable state of things around here?"

Several conditions on this campus have been worthy of constructive interest for so long now, that each individual concerned should immediately recognize the good his own interest will do, and would have done all along.

We have campaigned for many things with little success. Now we campaign for a basic thing. You can make our campaign a success. The interest created by last week's activities alone, has been more than the combined interest for the past two years. It does an editorial heart good, the heart of a newspaper that has been trying desperately to eek news out of the inanimate William and Mary attitude for a longer time than we thought it possible for the inanimates to hold out.

If you are interested, express yourselves,—above all, BE interested. This is a plea. We sincerely hope for THE answer. M.J.R.

Letters To Editor

Suggestion—

March 13, 1943

To the Editor of the FLAT HAT;
Dear Sir:

I'll admit that I am very un-wisely sticking my neck out. In the fact of public opinion on the campus, it might even be said that I am "hanging" myself. However, here goes.

In the article printed under the title "Games of the Devil" in the FLAT HAT of March 9, it was proposed that Phi Beta Kappa Hall be opened for the use of the students for dancing and card playing on Sunday night, since there is nothing to do in Williamsburg.

I happen to be one of those who do believe that card playing and dancing is a violation of the Sabbath. But I am not trying to convert those who differ from me on just that point. You see, I wish to look at a broader field.

Nothing to do Sunday night in Williamsburg? Why, I know this is a terrible suggestion, but four churches in Williamsburg hold evening services. I know there are quite a few people in William and Mary who would be ashamed to be seen in church (it was awfully hard to get volunteers to count the church attendance during our statistics count in Williamsburg recently), but it's no disgrace to go. Some of the best people are frequently seen there.

If there is still a great deal of excess energy, why not put it to a progressive use in helping to entertain the service men at the two (at least) open houses which help to entertain at the churches on Sunday nights. At my own church, there are about two hundred every Sunday night (there would be more if there were room) who are glad and proud (yes, I said proud) to admit affiliation with the church.

If you feel that you are going to stagnate in Williamsburg on Sunday night, try the churches for a change. For my part, I should be very happy to welcome you, regardless of denomination, or even if you don't pretend to belong to a church.

Sincerely yours,

Harry R. Kent,

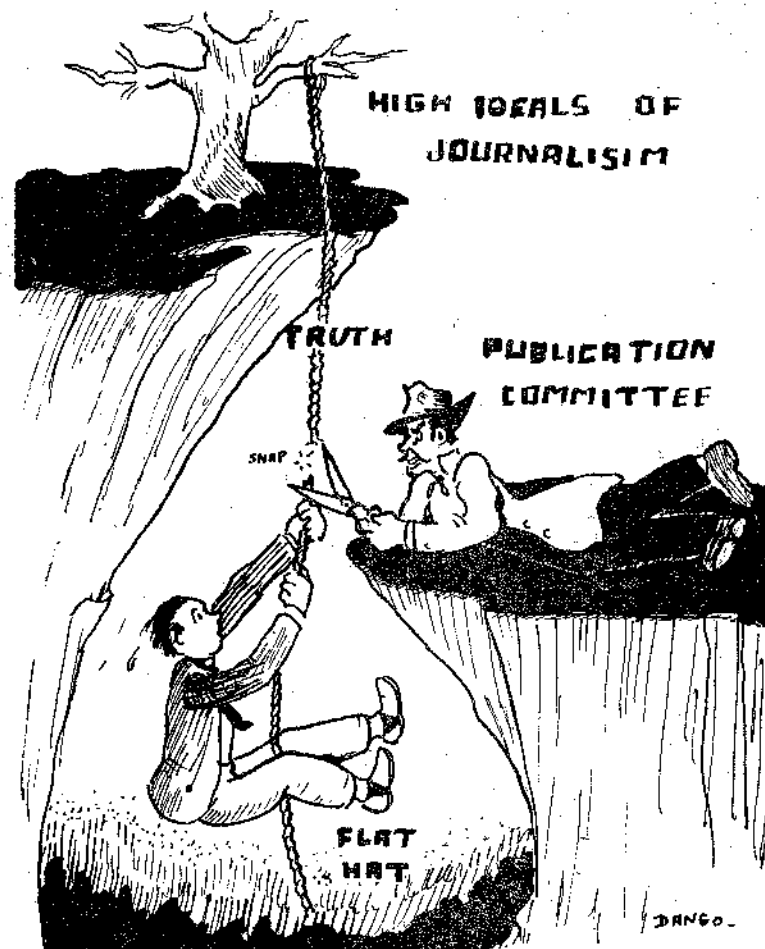
President, Wesley Foundation,
Williamsburg Methodist Church.

Criticism

Dear Editor:

Let's suppose for a moment that Miss Saltzman has a brain and also a sense of fair play, decency, and common judgment. It seems to me that she has forgotten the purpose of a play review and has used the column space to flounce her not-full-grown wings to (most obviously) reveal to the reader her profound understanding of George Bernard Shaw's philosophy in his plays. I wonder what book she has just read to get this newly acquired knowledge. Miss Saltzman stated, "When an elementary language student sets out to translate a piece of writing, he renders it literally without too much regard for meaning." Before Miss Saltzman reviews another play I think she should consider her own profound statement and apply it to herself by sticking more closely to the purpose of her article rather than wandering in a labyrinth of philosophical interpretations.

As to Miss Saltzman's criticisms of the characters, I think she missed the significance of them completely. Such as, she said, "Miss



Below The Waterline

Let us envision a transport ship sailing serenely through what is supposed to be friendly waters. A submarine appears on the horizon showing friendly colors. As soon as the submarine is within striking distance, its colors are struck and a flag bearing the fascist rod whips savagely from the mast. Simultaneously a shot is fired at our ship which pierces it beneath the water line. Some of the crew abandon ship, while others try desperately to patch up the gaping hole in the bow in order that the ship might not sink.

In the qualification of this analogy, we see the FLAT HAT as our transport ship bearing student opinion. The submarine on the horizon is the Publications Committee. At first it is harmless, but by declaring itself a court of "original jurisdiction", it flies its true colors.

We grant that the committee was justified in taking action against former columnist Bradford Dunham, in the event that he was guilty of incompetence, however, we claim that the action whereby it manifested its so-called punishment, is an action that might be expected from an Axis power.

No one has the right to take away a man's right to free expression. Prisoners in Federal penitentiaries have written novels, and articles that have been published without question. Yet we have here the abrogation of the right of one who is a free college student.

This issue is not just a question of the restriction of the rights of an individual, but the committee's action sets a dangerous precedent whereby the editor of this publication is subject to an indirect censorship—a censorship of threat. Punishment may be in order, but certainly not of this nature. If this action is allowed to stand by the Student Assembly our ship will sink, and sink many fathoms. Henceforth truth will ascend to the surface, only as tiny bubbles wending their way through the depths of the censorial black water.

H. H.

Gloria Hanners, as an evil ser- which I think comes under the cat-
pent, was indeed sinister." I egory of make-up. Miss Salt-
should say that Miss Hanners was man's play review was the first
anything but sinister. Miss Han- review I have ever read in which
ners did a beautiful job in produc- all the characters were not men-
ing—not a sinister effect—but a tioned. It's always wise to men-
splendid effect of the writhing and tion the characters in a review of
seething of the thoughts in the a play.

Also, Miss Saltzman says, "The element of Shaw's Eve is maternity. As such, she should have infinite understanding and infinite insight." Of course Miss Saltzman must remember that Eve, the first woman, could not be as mature and have the great insight that the woman of today (supposedly) has. I'd have been very much surprised if the First Woman had appeared on the stage as a mature woman of the world—another Ilka Chase.

I am forced to say that it was "damn white" of Miss Saltzman to say that Anna Belle Koenig had a lovely voice "even though it was misapplied."

Instead of criticizing the acting in the FLAT HAT about freedom of John Manos as Napoleon, Miss Saltzman criticizes his appearance rejected.

C.R.M.

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